## GOVERNING BOARD WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS LEDFORD & DISPENZA

The AVAPCD Governing Board recently welcomed two new appointees from the City of Palmdale to its ranks.

Palmdale Councilman Mike Dispenza was appointed to the Board during the May Governing Board meeting.

Dispenza replaces former Board Member/ Palmdale City Councilwoman Shelley Sorsabal. A resident and businessman of Palmdale, Dispenza was elected to his first term on Palmdale's City Council last November. With more than 25 years experience in the insurance business and several years experience as a hospital and retail pharmacist, Dispenza is particularly sensitive to health issues involving air quality. In addition to his position on the District's Board, Dispenza is also a member of such organizations as the Antelope Valley Transit Authority, the California Contract Cities Association State Legislative Committee, the League of California Cities, the Southern California Association of Governments, and the Los Angeles County Sanitation District.

Palmdale Mayor James C. Ledford, Jr. was appointed to the Governing Board during the June Workshop meeting. Ledford replaces former City of Palmdale Board Member Rod Penner. A long term resident of Palmdale, Ledford was recently elected to his fifth term as mayor of the City of Palmdale. A former Lockheed Martin Skunkworks supervisor as well as a small business owner, Ledford brings a vast knowledge of business needs to the AVACPD. Ledford, an active member of the community, is also a member of the Antelope Valley Service Organization Association, the Los Angeles County Sanitation District, and the United States/Mexico Sister Cities Association. Both Board Members bring considerable experience and knowledge to the AVAPCD Board. Welcome aboard, Mayor Ledford and Councilman Dispenza!